

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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LINKING OF UNIVERSITIES WITH NATIONAL LABORATORIES

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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to link the universities with national laboratories to improve the quality of science education in the country; and

(b) if so, the steps taken/to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. D. PURANDESWARI)

(a) & (b): The University Grants Commission (UGC) has reported that it had constituted a Task Force on Promotion of Basic Scientific Research in Universities which had, among others, recommended that "Formal Linkage between the Universities and National level Institutions including Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) be promoted through joint research projects and training". In pursuance of the recommendation of the Task Force, UGC has constituted an Expert Committee to suggest, inter-alia, ways to promote linkage and means for encouraging appointments between Universities and National level Research Institutions including CSIR Laboratories.